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## **REMARKS**

Claims 1-10 are currently pending. Claims 1 and 2 have been amended to overcome the Examiner's rejections under 35 USC 112, first paragraph and/or 35 USC 112, second paragraph. In light of the amendments above and the remarks below, Applicants respectfully traverse the rejection of the claims and submit that the application is now in condition for allowance.

Claims 1 and 2 have been amended to overcome the inconsistencies identified by the Examiner.

As set forth above, claim 1 has been amended to delete the terms "cycloalkyl group" and "optionally substituted with methyl", and to limit the term "3-to 6-membered heterocycloalkyl group" to "6-membered heterocycloalkyl group". This limitation is fully supported by the compounds "dipiperidinomethane" and "4,4-methylenedimorphorine" each having 6-membered heterocycloalkyl groups and being disclosed in the Specification on page 6, lines 10-11; Examples 5-6; and claim 2 of the Specification as originally filed. Also, as a point of clarification, in claim 1, formula 3 has been deleted, which is consistent with the line drawn through formula 3 in order to amend the claim in our amendment dated May 7, 2008. In addition, claim 2 has been amended to delete the term "1,1'-methylenebis(3-methylpiperidine) to conform with the deletion of the term "optionally substituted with methyl" from claim 1.

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All of the amendments to claims 1 and 2 are consistent with the suggestion of the Examiner to render the claims allowable. Therefore, it is respectfully requested that the rejections of claims 1-10 under 35 USC 112, first and second paragraphs be withdrawn.

Reconsideration and allowance of claims 1- 10 is respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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## **CERTIFICATE OF TRANSMISSION**

I hereby certify that this Amendment is being deposited via EFS-Web addressed to Commissioner for Patents, PO Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on November 21, 2008.

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